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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In re Application of

Navarrini, Walter

Serial No.

09/840,527

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FLUOROVINYL ETHERS AND POLYMER

OBTAINABLE THEREFROM

Examiner

Rosalynd Keys

Group Art Unit

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Date: February 12, 2003

Reg. No. 36,254

RESPONSE TO 3-WAY RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Following up on a telephone conversation previously had with the Examiner in this matter, and in further response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2002, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement as between pending claims 1-4 (Group I), claims 5-20 (Group II) and claims 21-26 (Group III), the Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group III (claims 21-26), without traverse. The Examiner stated that the claims in the elected Group III are drawn to a process for making a fluorovinyl ether.

The one-month date for responding to the foregoing Office Action was set to expire on September 19, 2002. However, the Applicant is submitting herewith a petition for a fivemonth extension of time to respond to the Office Action, along with the appropriate fee for

such a petition, making the extended due date for responding to this Office Action February 19, 2003. Thus, the instant response is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 19, 2003

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